Brian Knudson

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Shirley Connors INITIATED BY Public Safety & Justice Committee SUBMITTED BY	STATE OF A SECOND	Shirley Klipstein DRAFTED BY December 6, 2010 DATE DRAFTED
Homeland Security Mutual Aid Radio Replacement: Round 6 (2008 & 2009)		
WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin, Office of Justice Assistance (OJA), has State Homeland Security Grant funding for the purpose of enhancing emergency operations communications interoperability; and		
WHEREAS, Rock County and local agencies have identified mobile and portable radios that are outdated and may be replaced new equipment purchased with these grant dollars; and,		
WHEREAS, a pre-application process was completed earlier this year and eligible agencies including the Janesville Police Department, Milton and Milton Township Fire Department, Edgerton Protection District, the Rock County Sheriff's Office, the Town of Fulton Police Department, and the Rock County Communications Center are eligible to participate in a combined application submitted by Rock County Emergency Management.		
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this\to day of\to, 2011, does hereby approve and authorize Rock County Emergency Management to submit a combined grant application for the Homeland Security Mutual Aid Radio Replacement: Round 6 (2008 & 2009) on behalf of the local eligible agencies; and,		
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED , that the Chair of the Rock County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign all necessary grant application documents and interagency equipment acceptance agreements on behalf of the County of Rock.		
PUBLIC SAFETY& JUSTICE COMMITTEE		
Lvan Collins, Chair		
Jarry Wiedenfeld, Vice Chair		
Mary Beaver Hank Brill		
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FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution only authorizes an application for a grant and therefore has no fiscal impact at this time. If a grant is awarded a subsequent resolution would be required to accept the grant and amend the budget.

Jeffrey A. Smith Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The authority to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats., necessarily implies the authority to make application for such funds.

Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Craig Knutson County Administrator

Executive Summary

The purpose of the Homeland Security Mutual Aid Radio Replacement grant is to resolve existing communications interoperability issues and improve voice communications among emergency response agencies and disciplines throughout the state. This grant opportunity will provide funds to replace portable, fixed or mobile radios that have fewer than 32 channels and cannot be reprogrammed.

Funding is now available for County Sheriff's Office, City of Janesville Police, Milton and Milton Township Fire Department, Edgerton Protection District, Town of Fulton Police Department and Rock County Communications Center. These agencies submitted pre-applications in September for the purpose of replacement of outdated radios. The grant requires a 15% local match requirement, which the local agencies understand is their responsibility.

Rock County Emergency Management requests permission to apply for the Homeland Security Mutual Aid Radio Replacement (Round 6) grant on behalf the qualifying agencies. Upon approval of this Resolution, Rock County Emergency Management will submit a combined application on behalf of the eligible agencies prior to the February 24, 2011 deadline.